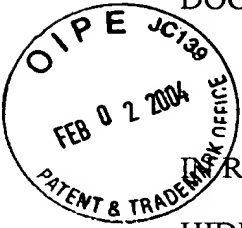


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Responsive to the Quayle Action of January 9, 2004, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment and passage of the above-identified application to issue.

**Amendment to the Specification** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Drawings** begins on page 4 of this paper and includes two attached replacement sheets.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.